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INVESTIGATORS MAY HOLD HEARING PERTH AMBOY ON SALE OF LAND

Local Men in Attendance as
Bridge Land Sale is Started
at State House

ASSESSORS ATTEND

Rubenstein, John Hunt and
Clancy Boynton There
From Perth Amboy

TRENTON, April 23.—The investigation into the purchase by the ousted state highway board of the W. J. Donnell property for the Perth Amboy bridge, was started before a joint senate and assembly committee in the state house at 11 o'clock this morning.

Attorney General Thomas McCran presented the case to the committee at today's preliminary hearing. None of the members of the ousted board were present and the witnesses called this morning told of the payment of \$230,000 by the state for the property and testimony to follow later in the day will be in connection with the valuation of the property.

Sol Rubenstein of the Perth Amboy board of assessors, Charles Steuwerwald who made the appraisal and Clancy Boynton were in attendance at the hearing. Hunt had recorded from 1917 to 1923 pertaining to the purchase. The letters were shown to him by the attorney general and it is probable he will be questioned later in the hearing.

McCran submitted to the committee a report of Bridge Engineer Meade in regard to transactions from 1917 up to the time of the purchase. Horace A. Guzik, assistant cashier in the auditor's office, was next called. He produced a check for \$230,000 which was made payable to the Donnell company by the state, and also presented the deed showing the transfer of the property. This transfer was made on June 23, 1922.

Rubenstein testified that he is a Perth Amboy assessor and assessed the Donnell property in 1922 at \$19,250 which represented fifty per cent of the actual value. He said that the assessment had been made on the same basis as adjoining lands of the C. Fardes and National Fireproofing companies. This witness told the investigators he considered the seven and a half acre tract purchased by the state worth \$90,000, figuring a price of \$12,000 an acre or \$90,000 in all, the market value in his estimation. He also told the committee that if anyone did not want this land badly, a price not exceeding \$5,000 or \$6,000 an acre would be offered.

The next witness was Clancy Boynton, who told of being requested by Robert Meeker, right of way engineer of the department, to make an appraisal of this property early in May of 1921. Boynton told of making the appraisal on June 2, and his figure was \$12,000 an acre or \$90,000 for the entire tract which he thought was a fair price. He told the investigators of other property in that vicinity sold about the same time at a similar price and mentioned the Sayre & Fisher tract to the west of the Donnell tract which sold for \$10,000 or \$12,000 an acre.

Charles Steuwerwald, the next witness, told of being requested by Engineer Meeker to make an appraisal and of his appraising it at \$12,000 an acre or \$90,000 in all, the market value in his estimation. He also said that other properties in this vicinity sold for \$90,000. Both Boynton and Steuwerwald in reply to questions put by the attorney general declared that \$230,000 was an exorbitant price.

The secretary of the board, Mr. Grover, was recalled and told to go over the minutes of board meetings since this purchase was first spoken of. It was first taken up at a meeting on October 28, 1920, and the greater part of an hour was taken up by these readings. The minutes of all meetings up to the time the purchase was authorized were read.

The investigators learned through the reading of minutes of March 30, 1921, that a communication had been received from the Donnell company reporting that the land had been appraised at \$229,000 and \$45,000, the appraisals having been made by disinterested parties.

At the meeting on May 19, 1921, the minutes showed that Chairman George Burton called the attention of the board to the possibility of the necessary right of way was purchased from the Donnell company. He favored the purchase of the entire tract, the investigators learned, for he pointed out at this meeting that \$160,000 could be saved because part of the property could be used for a fill in making a road. Then there was a chance of selling any excess property.

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Russia Postpones Trial Of Rev. Dr. Tikhon



MOSCOW, April 23.—(By The Associated Press)—The trial of the Most Rev. Dr. Tikhon, former patriarch of all Russia, on a charge of treason and hindering the carrying out of soviet orders, has again been postponed. This time indefinitely. The trial had been set to begin here tomorrow.

The trial of Dr. Tikhon, which was to have begun tomorrow, was expected to develop even greater interest than that of other Catholic prelates which resulted in the execution of Vicar General Butchavitch and a death sentence upon Archbishop Zverev, which afterwards was commuted to ten years imprisonment.

The trial now indefinitely postponed was for the hearing of charges against former head of the Russian orthodox church for centuries the authoritative state church of Russia, and prosecution of Patriarch Tikhon was regarded in church quarters more as the challenge of the Soviet to the former established religion than as a straight-out hearing of the patriarch's alleged seditious acts.

The charges against Dr. Tikhon accused him of pronounced counter-revolutionary activities, among others maintaining connections with such military enemies of the Soviet as Admiral Kolokolnik and General Wrangel, favoring the restoration of the monarchy and demanding resistance to the sequestration of church treasures.

So. Amboy Boy Drowns As He Falls in Pool

SOUTH AMBOY, April 23.—While two of his little chums looked on, Joseph, seven year old son of Mr. Joseph, fell from the fire in the woods adjoining the city, late Saturday afternoon. The accident was not reported to the police and many conflicting stories have been circulated about the drowning.

ANOTHER VICTIM TODAY OF N. Y. GANG REVENGE

NEW YORK, April 23.—The bullet riddled body of nineteen-year-old Carmine ("Blackie") Stello, known to the underworld as a white-slaver, dope peddler and burglar, was discovered in the backyard of a shop in Chinatown today, amid evidence which, police say, tells a grim tale of gang revenge.

He was found beside a pile of egg crates, and had been dead for hours. In his head and chest were seven bullet wounds. His right hand clutched a small flashlight, his left an empty .25 calibre pistol shell. Near by lay a .25 automatic with six exploded shells.

The body was identified by a patrolman who recently arrested Stello and three of his pals for robbing an aged watchman.

Police believe "Blackie" was double-crossed by members of his gang. As they reconstruct the story of his death, he was lured to the squalid alleyway between Mott and Elizabeth streets, in the belief he was to be in on a "job." He was given the flashlight, and while he stood with it in his right hand his companions backed away and showered him with bullets.

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ENGINEER BOOZ BIUL HEARING

Clark Says He Will Again
Bring up Matter at Board of
Aldermen Meeting

SEVERAL BIG PROJECTS

Amboy Ave. Paving, Lehigh
Park Sewer and New School
on the Program

The aldermen look forward to a busy session at the adjourned meeting to be held tonight in the city hall. Among the matters that will be taken up are the Lehigh Park sewer, the ordinance for the new Hall avenue, Amboy avenue paving and the railroad grade crossing elimination. Indications this time are, that a long committee session will be held prior to the regular meeting.

In relation to the Lehigh Park sewer, the aldermen are considering many changes. The original plan called for a sanitary sewer only, but the surface water in that section of the city has done considerable damage to streets and property and it is the opinion of the aldermen, according to Alderman-at-Large Richard J. Galvin, that the residents in that section of the city should have not only a sanitary sewer but one that will also carry off the surface water.

The Hall avenue school proposition is one of the most important items coming up for the action of the board tonight. At this session the ordinance authorizing the aldermen to turn over \$250,000 to the Board of Education for the construction of the school will be introduced and passed on its first reading. The turning over of this money to the Board of Education means that the school will in all probability be ready for occupancy when the fall term begins.

The Amboy avenue paving matter is another one that must be decided upon soon. City Engineer Louis P. Booz, Jr., stated today that the board would have this matter before them at the session tonight. It is likely that the engineer will have a report ready for their consideration.

Matters in relation to the railroad grade crossing elimination will also be taken up tonight. It is likely that the engineer will have the installation of the new trunk line sewer and the construction of the septic tank.

According to Alderman John J. Clark, the board will be taken on the bills submitted by City Engineer Louis P. Booz, Jr., and which are now being held up pending an investigation of the amounts.

MAN IS INJURED BY LOCOMOTIVE

A Pennsylvania railroad passenger train due at the State street station at 12:31 o'clock yesterday afternoon, struck Joseph Kolvalchick, twenty eight of 678 Charles street at the entrance to the Central railroad overhead bridge below Station street. Members of the crew of which B. W. Purnell was conductor and C. Van Dursen, engineer, gave the injured man first aid. He was then placed aboard the train and taken to the hospital in the police patrol.

The injured man is suffering from a contusion of the forehead and lacerations of the face and hands. There is a possibility that his thigh may be fractured.

WOODBIDGE MAN FINED

NEW BRUNSWICK, April 23.—Walter Luck, colored, of Woodbridge was fined \$50 today in the county court by Judge John P. Kirkpatrick after he had pleaded guilty to a charge of assault and battery. Luck was indicted on assault and battery with the intention to kill charge, alleged to have been committed on Albert Martin, Main street, Woodbridge, March 8. The state has been unable to sustain the allegation of intention to kill. The defendant was represented by Attorney Leon McElroy, of Woodbridge.

BASKETBALL AND DANCE NEW AUDITORIUM

Wednesday, April 25, 1923

SPEEDWAYS
WITH Handerhan Bros., Brownmiller
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WITH
Eggers, Glochau, Donohue, Donovan
and Denberg

Germans To Plan Offer

LONDON, April 23 (By The Associated Press)—The Berlin correspondent of the Central News says he learns on good authority that the German government is preparing a positive offer to the Allies. The government, he adds, will declare its readiness to negotiate and discuss the questions of reparations and guarantees.

PEOPLE MAKE COMPLAINT TO ALLEGED "SALOON"

People residing at 194 Washington street, called police headquarters at 4 o'clock this morning and informed Lieutenant William Calvin, that people in a saloon located at 191 Martin street, of which Martin Szalay is the proprietor, were making so much noise that they could not sleep. They claimed the place is open at all hours of the night and is patronized by auto parties. One of these parties had been at the saloon just prior to the time the call was made. Sergeant Frank Kasprzak was mailed to the number, but reported that he found nothing. This is the same saloon which was raided on March 11, when three card players and the owner were arrested. Louis Hansen, a patrolman was in the place just prior to the raid and he has been held on charges. It is expected that the aldermen at tonight's meeting will set a new date for his trial. The three gamblers were fined and the proprietor dismissed. The raid was made by Sergeant Kasprzak.

CHARGE DAUGHERTY USES OFFICE TO PLAY POLITICS

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 23.—Attorney General Daugherty was accused of using the power of his office to play politics in a speech made at a political gathering in the city today. The charge was made by a group of political opponents of Daugherty, who accused him of using his office to play politics in a speech made at a political gathering in the city today. The charge was made by a group of political opponents of Daugherty, who accused him of using his office to play politics in a speech made at a political gathering in the city today.

WAGE INCREASES GRANTED

CHICAGO, April 23.—Wage increases ranging from one and one-half to three and one-half cents an hour for all grades of common labor employed in the northwestern region of the Pennsylvania railroad were announced here last night after negotiations between representatives of the employees and the road.

The increase will add about \$300,000 to the payroll and affect about 4,000 men, including all track labor, maintenance of way employees, common labor in shop and engine houses and assigned labor about shops. The northwestern region includes most of Illinois, Ohio, Indiana and Michigan.

Similar negotiations are being carried on in other regions of the Pennsylvania railroad and if similar action is taken in these regions more than 25,000 other employees will benefit by the raise.

100 Ways To Make Money

By BILLY WINNER

MAYBE you think a room to live in hasn't much to do with making money. I've found it has a whole lot to do with it. Can you imagine a man living in a small, dark, unhome-like room sleeping on a lumpy bed, getting up in the morning to bathe in a cracked wash bowl and then going to work in a nappy frame of mind?

Not for me! I want a cherry, homey room that I'll be glad to go to after a hard day at the office. A room where I can study and read. A room where I can live.

I'd get such a room with the help of an "Egg" New York Ad. In the "Wanted to Rent" column. I'd let my Want Ad describe the kind of room I'd be looking for. And I'd get it, too, in a hurry.



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TURKEY TOPIC AT CONFERENCE

Adjustmet of Allied Front
Object of Preliminary Meet-
ing of Leaders at Lausanne

NEAR EASTERN POLICY

Turkey Likely to Attempt to
Take Advantage of Fancied
Split Among Allies

LAUSANNE, April 23 (By The Associated Press)—An adjustment of the allied front with a view to its unshakable maintenance was the object of a preliminary meeting of leaders of the great powers' delegations today before the official resumption of the near eastern peace conference with Turkey.

Those who attended the meeting included Sir Horace Rumbold and General M. C. U. Fells, British and French high commissioners at Constantinople; Signor G. C. Montagna, Italian minister to Greece, and M. Otchial, Japanese ambassador to Italy.

The allied spokesmen said they had the impression that Turkey will seek to take advantage of fancied differences in the ranks of the allies that have grown out of the political problems of Europe, especially reparations, and will endeavor to profit by the desire of Great Britain, France and Italy to obtain permanent peace in the Near East at whatever price.

The allies also expect the Turks to attempt to use to their own advantage French and British opposition to the Chester conference.

Developments here already have indicated that Soviet Russia will decline to be eliminated as a factor in the present negotiations but will insist on having something to say, as the big feature of which will be the general conference.

It was announced shortly before 2 o'clock that the Allies had decided to have their first meeting with the Turkish representatives at 5 o'clock this afternoon to discuss organization of the work of the conference.

SAYS HARDING CERTAIN OF BEING RENOMINATED

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Thomas W. Miller, alien property custodian, after a conference today with President Harding, issued a formal statement in which he said it was "certain that the Republican party in the next national convention will renominate President Harding."

The alien property custodian reported to the President on public opinion as he had found it during a month's trip through the west, but he said his statement as given out later had not been laid before the executive. Among matters on which he reported was understood to have been sentiment on the world court issue.

NEW DANCE RECORD

DALLAS, Texas, April 23.—R. J. Newman, local athletic and world veteran, quit the floor here at 3:52 o'clock this morning, setting a record of 107 hours and two minutes dancing. He was allowed a fifteen minute rest period each four hours of his endurance test which started at 4:45 p. m. last Wednesday. Locally it was declared this set a new world's record.

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Every prospective home owner will be interested in this booklet of house plans for brick homes which is now ready for distribution to readers of this publication.

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12 Buildings of Copper Co. Plant Destroyed in Spectacular Blaze

FIRES COVER ISLAND

Twelve buildings of the Tottenville Copper Company situated at Bethel avenue and Arthur Kill road Tottenville together with twenty loaded freight cars of various railroads within the yard of the plant were totally destroyed yesterday afternoon in one of the most spectacular fires ever seen on Staten Island. The estimated loss on the buildings is about \$1,000,000 and that to the freight cars is said to be about \$80,000.

The fire which started about 2 o'clock in one of the wash rooms of the big refinery spread so rapidly that when the two engines and hook and ladder company of the Tottenville department arrived a second and a third alarm was turned in that brought three engines and a hose company of the city department from Stapleton, New Brighton, Rosebank and South Beach and all the volunteer companies from Pleasant Plains, Huguenot Park and Krescherville.

"Smoky" Joe Martin, deputy chief of the New York Fire Department arrived on the third alarm and took charge of the blaze. He did not stay long, having received word of a third alarm fire in the Bronx, which he hastened to. Deputy Chief Brogan commanded the fire department throughout the afternoon until relieved by Deputy Chief Beggin at 6 o'clock.

Carried by the wind blowing at the time about fifty miles an hour, sparks set fire to three houses on Murray street, Richmond Valley, damaging these structures considerably and destroying a two story frame dwelling and one and a half story barn in the rear of 6718 Amboy road, Richmond Valley, owned by I. W. Butler, of 6713 Amboy road, Richmond Valley. The latter structure was occupied by Mrs. Lena Lawrence, who lost practically all of her belongings.

The dwellings in Murray street were owned by John Kober and his son, Henry Kober, the latter occupying one of the houses at 42 Murray street, which was destroyed. The other house destroyed was occupied by Charles Woglom and George McDermott with their families. The latter had only moved into the house on Thursday. Practically all of the furniture was removed from the burning structures and was saved. The good work of the firemen in town along with those of the volunteer and paid firemen, who worked side by side in stopping the flames from consuming the entire row of frame structures in Murray street, being commended. Captain George Volmer of the Police Reserve led a squad of his men and they did excellent work in fighting the fire and afterward assisting the firemen in placing in regulating traffic until late at night.

At one time the entire section of Richmond Valley was threatened. Sparks were carried in all directions by the high wind and the firemen setting the dry grass on fire. People were stationed on the house tops and with buckets of water were wetting down the dry roofs. An unoccupied house at 6809 Amboy road, Richmond Valley, owned by former Patrolman August Charlus, caught fire but was soon extinguished. A small barn in the rear of the residence of Conrad Kress at 6087 Amboy road, Pleasant Plains, caught fire from a brush fire while Mr. Kress, a volunteer fireman, was at the Richmond Valley fire. A company was dispatched to the scene and extinguished the blaze without any further damage. While the Huguenot Fire Company was out fighting a brush fire about 5:50 o'clock the engine house took fire and before the flames could be checked the house was damaged to the extent of \$1,200 before the blaze was extinguished.

Fireman Meany detailed at the Mission of the Immaculate Virgin, Mt. Loretto, with two hundred boys of the big institution armed with brooms and pulling a two-wheeled jumper with hose did effective work in protecting the buildings at that place from the flames started in the woods adjacent to the institution where there are 1200 boys and 800 girl inmates.

While the flames were sweeping the copper plant, a traffic on the Staten Island Rapid Transit was tied up for two or three hours, no trains being run by the plant because of the intense heat from the flaming buildings and freight cars. Traffic was resumed about 3:30 o'clock when both the east and westbound trucks were used. This was done after the arrival of Superintendent William Kelly and other officials of the road.

Several freight cars were pulled out of the yard when a locomotive in charge of Engineer James B. Slaght and Conductor Daniel R. Hayes came out with a crew from the Tottenville terminal. Brakeman John Ryan, at the risk of his life, manned one of the burning freight cars to release the brakes while the fire was licking the entire end of the train.

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LATEST NEWS BY A. P. WIRE

SEATTLE, Wash., April 23.—The steamer La Parisima collided with the Barkentine Mary Winkelman at Slip Point. The Mary Winkelman is reported to be leaking. The U. S. S. Snohomish has gone to her assistance.

Tall Cedars Convene
ATLANTIC CITY, April 23.—Hundreds of members of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon are arriving here today for the annual convention of the Supreme Council which opens here tomorrow. It is expected that at least 10,000 will be here for the gathering, the big feature of which will be a parade to be participated in by 20 patrols and 20 bands.

Charged With Conspiracy
PHILADELPHIA, April 23.—The trial of William McConnell, former Federal Prohibition Director of Pennsylvania and 28 others charged with conspiracy in the issuance of fraudulent permits for withdrawal and sale of whiskey from bonded warehouses, made a fresh start in the United States District Court today.

Grounded Tug Lost
ATLANTIC CITY, April 23.—Hope of saving the tug "Right Arm" 130 tons, Captain Richard Littlefield which grounded on the bar of Absecon Inlet yesterday was abandoned today by the United States guards. The tug is now almost completely submerged. Efforts are being made to save the cable aboard the craft.

Motorist Is Sentenced
PHILADELPHIA, April 23.—Four to eight years in the penitentiary for killing a girl with his automobile was the sentence given today to John J. Creodon of this city. Except that Creodon was not charged with intoxication, the case was similar to that of Henry G. Brock, the baker who was last week sentenced to six to ten years for killing three persons.

Bent Stomach By Dead Man
NEW YORK, April 23.—The motorboat Traveller, steered by a dead man with a bullet in his chest, was caught by longshoremen today as she emerged from beneath Pier 8 Hudson River and headed for open water at full speed.

Its lone occupant lay on his back across the steering wheel, his weight steadying the rudder. A pistol and two loaded cartridges were in the bottom of the craft. The absence of empty shells led the police to believe the man had been murdered.

Get Restraining Order
WASHINGTON, April 23.—Interstate Commerce Commission official said today that the federal court commission's railroad mileage book installations from going into effect, would probably be appealed at once to the court for a final decision.

Dry Director Suspended
WASHINGTON, April 23.—Acting Prohibition Director Roscoe Andrews of Illinois was suspended today by Commissioner Hayes pending an investigation into the case of the Grommes Ullrich distillery.

New Record on Sugar
NEW YORK, April 23.—Cuban raw sugar today sold at a new high record since 1920, with a sale of 10,000 bags to an operator for May shipment at 6 1/2 cents, cost and freight, equal to 8 1/2 cents delivered. Raw futures also touched high records and one local refiner advanced list prices for fine granulated ten points to 9.70.

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Pupil: "Chevrolet."
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